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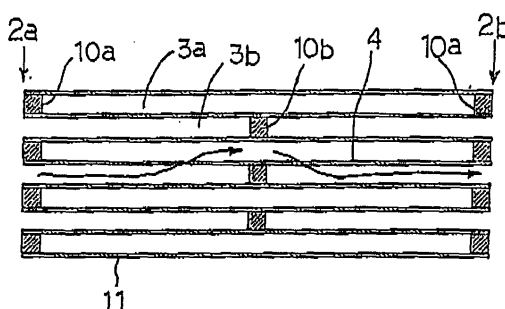
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(54) **Honeycomb structure and honeycomb catalytic body**

(57) There are disclosed a honeycomb catalytic body to which a wall flow structure is applied so that a fluid such as an exhaust gas passes through a partition wall twice or more, and a honeycomb structure for use as a catalyst carrier of the honeycomb catalytic body in which a pore characteristic and the like are appropriately adjusted as the catalytic body. In a honeycomb structure 11 including porous partition walls 4 arranged so as to form a plurality of cells 3 which communicate between

two end surfaces of the honeycomb structure and having a large number of pores; and plugging portions 10 arranged so as to plug at least a part of the plurality of cells 3 at any position in a length direction of the cells, an average maximum image distance of the partition walls is larger than 40 μm , and the plugging portions 10 are arranged so that at least a part of a fluid which has entered the cells from one end surface passes through the partition wall 4 twice or more, and is then discharged from the other end portion.

FIG. 1





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